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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISION (HRC) - RESOLUTION ON CSCE

1. SUMMARY. DISCUSSION OF ITEM UNDER WHICH SOVIET RESOLUTION
ON DETENTE WILL BE DISCUSSED WILL BEGIN FEB 19 P.M. MEETING.
US DEL HAS REACHED AGREEMENT WITH ALL WEO MEMBERS ON TEXT OF
US RESOLUTION ON CSCE. DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF
WED MEETINT AT NOON, FEB 19, AND SOVIET MOVES LATER IN DAY.
IT MAY BE NECESSARY FOR US DEL TO SUBMIT FORMALLY US TEXT.
END SUMMARY.

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2. BRITISH AMENDMENTS TO SOVIET TEXT, AS TRANSMITTED EARLIER

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TO DEPARTMENT, HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED TO SOME EXTENT,
BUT NOT CONCERNING THE CRUCIAL OPERATIVE PARA 3 OF
THE SOVIET TEXT. WHEN THE BRITISH INFORMALLY PASSED THESE
AMENDMENTS TO THE SOVIETS, SOVIET REACTION WAS THAT THEY
WERE QUOTE ROGHER UNQUOTE THAN NORMAL BRITISH DRAFTING AND
REQUIRED POLISH. SOVIET REP ZORIN IS PRESSING THE
NON-ALIGNED FOR SUPPORT ON HIS RESOLUTION. HIS PRI-
MARY TARGET, INDIA, STILL SEEMS RELUCTANT TO CARRY THE
BAIL EVEN IN CORRIDOR CONVERSATION. AFRICANS GENER-
ALLY MAINTAIN SCEPTICISM ABOUT HRC INVOLVEMENT IN
WHAT THEY SEE AS WEST-EAST DOCTRINAL DISPUTE.

3. WESTERN STRATEGY TO BE DECIDED AT WED GROUP MEET-
ING BEFORE P.M. SESSION. FRENCH REP JUVIGNY HAS
REQUESTED PARIS FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO CO-SPONSOR US
DRAFT. TEXT HAS BEEN SLIGHTLY AMENDED IN ORDER TO
SATISFY POSITIONS OF OTHER WESTERN DELS. TEXT AS
FINAL AGREED UPON WILL BE REPEATED AT END OF THIS
MESSAGE.

4. ACTION ON THESE ISSUES HAS REACHED A CRUCIAL
TACTICAL THRESHOLD. THE EXISTENCE OF TWO SEPARATE
RESOLUTIONS AND THE LENGTHY WESTERN AMENDMENTS TO THE
SOVIET DRAFT HAVE ALREADY MADE THIS A COMPLICATED
ITEM. SOVIET ATTEMPT TO GET INDIA AND THE NON-ALIGNED
INVOLVED MAKING THE OUTCOME EVEN LESS PRDICTABLE. IN
ORDER TO HAVE MAXIMUM IMPACT UNDER THESE CIRCUM-
STANCES, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO SUBMIT US TEXT TO
SECRETARIAT AS EARLY AS P.M. FEB 19 (GENEVA TIME).

5. TEXT FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT.

THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

RECALLING THE PLEDGE OF ALL MEMBERS AS RECORDED IN ARTICLES 55 AND
56 OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER TO COOPERATE WITH THE U.M. IN
THE PROMOTION OF UNIVERSAL RESPECT FOR AND OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN
RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS FOR ALL, WITHOUT DISTINCTION AS TO
RACE, SEX, LANGUAGE, OR RELIGION.

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RECALLING THAT THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION AFFIRMS THAT EVERYONE IS
ENTITLED TO ENJOY ALL THE RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS SET FORTH IN THE
DECLARATION, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF ANY KIND, SUCH AS RACE, COLOUR,
SEX, LANGUAGE, RELGION, POLITICAL OR OTHER OPINION, NATIONAL OR
SOCIAL ORGIN, PROPERTY, BIRTH OR OTHER STATUS.

TAKING NOTE OF THESUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE CONFERENCE ON SEC-
URITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE WHICH WAS MARKED BY THE SIGNATURE

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OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THAT CONFERENCE OF THE FINAL ACT, WHICH RECOGNIZED THAT THE RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, RELIGON, OR BELIEF, IS A PRINCIPL
E
OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE.

NOTING ESPECIALLY THAT THE DECLARATION ON PRINCIPLES GUIDING RELATIONS BETWEEN PARTICIPATING STATES INCLUDED IN THE FINAL ACT CONTAINS RENEWED PLEDGES BY THE SIGNATORIES OF RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING THE FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, CONSCIENCE, REGION OR BELIEF,

CONVINCED THAT THE UNQUALIFIED MUTUAL FULFILLMENT OF THESE PLEDGES WOULD ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF NORMAL AND FREINDLY INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS,

DRAWING PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THAT SECTION OF THE FINAL ACT RELATING TO COOPERATION IN HUMANITARIAN AND OTHER FIELDS WHICH RECORDS THE DETERMINATION OF THE SIGNATORIES TO IMPLEMENT A NUMBER OF UNDERTAKINGS RELATING TO HUMAN CONTACTS, THE SOLUTIONS OF HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS, INFORMATION, COOPERATION AND EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF CULTURE, AND COOPERATION AND EXCHANGES IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION.

CONVINCED THAT THE ACHIEVEMENTS RECORDED IN THE FINAL ACT OF HELSINKI CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL PROTECTIONS FOR BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, AND THAT THEIR IMPLEMENTATION WILL GREATLY ASSIST THIS COMMISSION AND OTHER UNITED NATIONS ORGANS TO TAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION TO PROMOTE RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDMENTAL FREEDOMS.

CONVINCED AS WELL THAT UNDERSTANDINGS SUCH AS THAT EXAMPLIFIED BY THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT CONTRIBUTE AN INDISPENSALBE FOUNDATION FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

THE WORLDWIDE EFFORT TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS;

(1) WELCOMES THE CONSLUSION OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS INCLUDED IN THE DECLARATION ON PRINCIPLES GUIDING RELATIONS BETWEEN PARTICIPATING STATES AS WELL ASHOHOSE PROVISIONS RELATING TO COOPERATION IN HUMANITARIAN AND OTHER FIELDS,

(2) EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF SUCH UNDERSTANDINGS FOR THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE U.,. AND WITH THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

(3) REQUESTS STATES MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION TO REPORT TO THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION ON THOSE INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES. REGIONAL OR

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OTHERWISE. IN WHICH THEY PARTICIPATE RELATING TO THE PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS.

(4) DECIDES THAT THE COMMISSION SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THESE REPORTS WHEN PREPARING ITS OWN PROGRAM OF WORK TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS. END TEXT. DALE UNQUOTE
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